

Spokane Regional Clean Air Agency

Advisory Council Minutes

June 24, 2021

Members Present:

Ron Edgar, Chemistry
Brent Downey, Industry
Ray Burnes, Public Health
John Dietzman, Environmental
Jackie Etter, Agriculture
Tony Masiello, Member at Large

Staff Present:

Scott Windsor, Executive Director
Margee Chambers, SIP Planner/Rule Writer
Lisa Woodard, Communications/Outreach
Manager

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.

1. Introductions

Advisory Council members and staff introduced themselves.

2. Approval of May 27, 2021

Adjustments suggested to the previous minutes. Motion to accept the corrected May 27, 2021 minutes by Ron, John seconded. Minutes approved.

3. Follow-up to May SRCAA Board of Directors Meetings –Scott

We completed our move on June 3rd and everyone is getting settled in to the new office. Our phone system is down for right now we are awaiting a new phone system and currently forwarding all calls to an employee cell phone. The new website is up and running and we have gotten some great feedback on the useability of the new site. Our office has continued with modified working conditions. We're following the L&I procedure for mask wearing. Scott participated in the May Washington Air Quality Manager's group to discuss distribution of fund from Ecology. Also, participated in a discussion with the State Department of Health concerning the use of the WAQA vs the AQI to make sure the public is receiving the same information across the board. Staff participated in the Regional Wildfire Smoke Coordination meeting trying to get ahead of the upcoming wildfire season. Volunteers of America has decided to purchase our old facility and are in the process of coordinating the finances and real estate contracts. The purchase price was \$563, 000. The appraised fair market value of the property is \$575,000, but both agencies agreed to continue the transaction without a real estate agent and split the savings of the commission. This gives a lower purchase price to Volunteers of America and a higher profit to SRCAA. The agency, along with the local

fire districts, has begun the three year review to the no burning zone. Staff is analyzing the NOC and Marijuana programs for reduced reliance on the Local Assessments.

4. **Smoke Ready - Lisa**

Lisa gave a presentation about the Smoke Ready media campaign. Discussion ensued.

5. **Marijuana Program History – Margee/Scott**

Margee and Scott gave a presentation about the history of the Marijuana program. Discussion ensued.

6. **Advisory Council Comments/Concerns and Next Month’s Meeting**

Scott would like to establish a lease account from partial proceeds of the sale of the old building with the rest going to the General fund and Reserve funds. Next month’s meeting will be on July 22, 2021. The Zoom link will be sent out with the email a week before the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

The next Advisory Council Meeting is scheduled July 22, 2021 via Zoom.

Advisory Council Member

Scott Windsor, Executive Director